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**Mail Stop Patent Application**  
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Presented for filing is a new patent application claiming priority from a provisional patent application of:

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Title: LIQUIDLESS SEAL CONNECTION

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

	<u>Pages</u>
Specification	9 (including cover)
Claims	12
Abstract	1
Declaration	[To be Filed at a Later Date]
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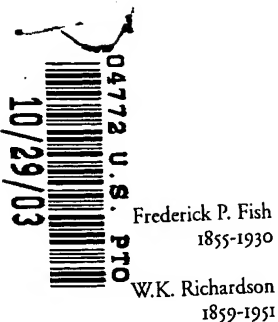
Under 35 USC §119(e)(1), this application claims the benefit of prior U.S. provisional application 60/461,968, filed April 10, 2003.

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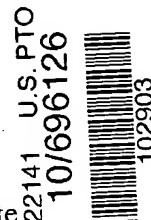
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